

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BOTANISTS

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are pleased to announce the initiation of the semi-annual newsletter of Northern California Botanists. Our first NCB symposium, "The Interface Between Research and Management in Northern California Botany" was held at CSU Chico on January 18-19, 2007. Our symposium attracted over 200 participants and was a resounding success by providing a lively and engaging forum for presenters and participants. See the recap of the first annual symposium below.

Next years symposium  
"Northern California Plant

Life: Celebrating What We Have With an Eye to the Future" will be held January 14 -15, 2008 with three workshops scheduled on January 16, 2008 at CSU Chico. We hope you plan to attend. More information about the upcoming symposium is available in this newsletter and on our website.

Northern California Botanists is an organization devoted to the study, preservation, and conservation of native plants and plant communities of Northern California. The purpose of the organization is to share in-

formation throughout the botanical community in Northern California.

We would love to hear from you, your contributions are vital to the success of our organization. We also welcome contributions to our newsletter. These may include upcoming events in your area such as field trips, symposia, botany related workshops, plant sales, etc. Please send these to Chris Bronny.

Remember to take time to enjoy the flowers!

Linnea Hanson  
President

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *Northern California Botanists form in 2006*
- *First symposium resounding success*
- *Next symposium scheduled for Jan. 14-15, 2008*
- *Help support botany in our North State - become a NCB member today!*



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### 2007 SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS

Northern California Botanists (NCB) held its first annual symposium, *The Interface between Research and Management in Northern California Botany* at California State University, Chico (CSUC) on January 18 and 19, 2007. Approximately 220 registrants attended and enjoyed a variety of excellent speakers and exhibit booths. Over 140 registrants and friends partici-

pated in an evening reception and banquet that included a keynote speaker. Botanists and other resource professionals came from all over northern California, but included some from as far away as Claremont and Santa Barbara in southern California.

Last year's symposium program and abstracts can be found on the NCB website listed on the back page.

The keynote speaker at the evening banquet, Dan Potter from UC Davis, talked about the upcoming plant family changes in the California flora.

It was wonderful to see so many botanists and plant enthusiasts at the event. All in all, it was a fantastic two-day events with many people discussing diverse topics related to botany in the North State.

## 2008 SYMPOSIUM - JANUARY 14-15, 2008

The second annual symposium sponsored by Northern California Botanists will be held at California State University Chico on January 14-15, 2008. The theme of the 2008 symposium is "Northern California Plant Life: Celebrating What We Have With an Eye to the Future".

The topics presented will concen-

trate on Northern California Botany, always looking for links between the worlds of applied and academic botany. Join us, have some fun in Chico, and learn from two days of speakers presentations and panel discussions!

A reception and banquet will be held on Monday evening. The banquet Keynote Speaker will be Connie Millar from the

US Forest service. Her talk is titled "What to Do about Climate Change: Conservation, Blink!, and the Art of Beginner's Mind".

We are now accepting registrations. For conference information and registration details, please visit: <http://ree.csuchico.edu/norcalbotany/>

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF TALKS

#### Monday, January 14th

##### **7:30-8:30 Registration**

##### **8:30-8:40 Opening Comments:** Linnea Hanson (Plumas National Forest)

##### **8:40-10:00 Session 1: Rare Plant Monitoring and Management**

**Moderator:** Ann Howald (Garcia & Associates)

**Speakers:** Jeffery White (Humboldt State University), John Willoughby (Bureau of Land Management), Caroline Christian (Sonoma State University), Rod MacDonald (Wurlitzer Tuscan Preserve).

##### **10:20-12:00 Session 2: Ethnobotany and Vegetation Management**

**Moderator:** Gail Kuenster (Department of Water Resources)  
**Speakers:** Michelle Stevens (CSU, Sacramento), Renee Shahrokh (American River College), Don Hankins (CSU Chico), Susan Campbell (CA Indian Basketweavers Association), Dennis Martinez (Native American Forest Management).

##### **12:00-1:30 LUNCH**

##### **1:30-3:10 Session 3: How to Be a Botanist**

**Moderator:** Kristina Schierenbeck

(CSU Chico)

**Speakers:** Michael Mesler (Humboldt State University), David Magney (David Magney Environmental Consulting), James Bartolome (UC Berkeley), Bob Carey (W.M. Beaty & Associates), Eric Huff (Cal Fire).

##### **3:30-5:00 Session 4: Global Climate Change**

**Moderator:** Jim Bishop (Plumas National Forest)

**Speakers:** Chris Ivy (CSU Chico), Carl Skinner (Redding Pacific Southwest Research Center), Erin Richards (Shasta Community College).

##### **5:15-7:00 RECEPTION**

##### **7:00-8:00 BANQUET**

**8:00 Keynote Speaker:** Connie Millar (USDA Forest Service, PSW Region). "What to Do about Climate Change? Conservation, Blink!, and the Art of Beginner's Mind".

#### Tuesday, January 15th

##### **8:00-9:50 Session 5: Going Underground**

**Moderator:** Rob Preston (Jones & Stokes Associates)

**Speakers:** Alice Ratcliff (US Forest Service), Robert Schlising (CSU Chico), Teresa Sholars (College of the Redwoods), Margo Griswold (EARTHWORKS Restoration, Inc.),

Alice Berry (UC Davis).

##### **10:10-11:30 Session 6: Wetland Restoration and Mitigation**

**Moderator:** Colby Boggs (Northstate Resources)

**Speakers:** Jeff Hart (Hart Restoration, Inc.), Mike Finan (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), John Carlon (River Partners), John Roberts (The Natomas Basin Conservancy).

##### **11:30-1:00 LUNCH**

##### **1:00-2:30 Session 7: Vegetation Mapping and Conservation**

**Moderator:** Todd Keeler-Wolf (Department of Fish and Game)

**Speakers:** Colleen Hatfield (CSU, Chico), Arthur Dawson (Sonoma Valley Historical Ecology Program), Bob Holland (Geobotanical Phenomenology).

##### **2:40-4:20 Session 8: Northern California Botanical and Ecological Discoveries**

**Moderator:** Julie K Nelson (USDA Forest Service)

**Speakers:** Carri Piroski (Department of Food and Agriculture), Alison Colwell (U.S. Geological Survey), Roy Buck, Christine Holvey (UC Santa Cruz), Ayzik Solomeshch (UC Davis).

## POST CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS JANUARY 16, 2008

This year's conference will also include at least three workshops to be held on January 16.

Workshop 1: Rare Plants of Northern California. Instructors: Carol Witham and Jennifer Buck.

Workshop 2: Conducting Rare Plant Assessments. Instructor: John Dittes.

Workshop 3: Traditional Land Care Practices of Indian Peoples on the Pacific Slope and Their Relevance to Restoration Today. Instructors: Dennis Marti-

nez and Don Hanks.

For more information and how to sign up for these informative workshops, please visit:

<http://rce.csuchico.edu/norcalbotany/>

## STUDENT TRAVEL/REGISTRATION STIPENDS AVAILABLE

Northern California Botanists will provide a number of \$250 stipends for current college students wishing to attend this symposium to help

cover expenses of travel, room and board, and registration.

For more information and the deadline for applying, visit the NCB webpage:

<http://www.csuchico.edu/biol/Herb/norcalbot/index.htm>

Please pass this on to your students & classmates in plant sciences.

## SYMPOSIUM - CALL FOR POSTERS

The planning committee invites you to bring a poster to the symposium to share your work and knowledge of the biology, conservation or management of our Northern California

plant life.

Submit an abstract about your poster by Dec. 1, 2007 to Rob Schlising at [rschlising@csuchico.edu](mailto:rschlising@csuchico.edu).

Set up will be at 7:30 on January 14 in the Bell Memorial Union main auditorium.

Please see the NCB webpage for more information.

## STUDENT RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS 2008-2009

Northern California Botanists is pleased to announce that they will be awarding student research scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Research scholarships will consist of \$1,000 awards to undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled in a botany, plant ecology, or other

plant-focused program as a full-time student at one of northern California's colleges or universities. Junior and senior undergraduates and MS and PhD graduate students are eligible. Projects must be part of Independent Study, Thesis or Dissertation coursework.

Applications must be submitted to NCB by March 15, 2008. Awards will be an-

nounced in May 2008, with funding provided to students for the 2008-2009 academic year in August 2008.

For more information and to download an application, visit the NCB webpage: <http://www.csuchico.edu/biol/Herb/norcalbot/index.htm>

## NEXT ISSUE OF BOTANICAL LEAFLETS

Information to be considered for inclusion in the next issue of Botanical Leaflets (Volume 1, Issue 2) should be sent to the editor by January 15, 2008.

Please email material to Chris Bronny at: [cbronny@comcast.net](mailto:cbronny@comcast.net) or mail to: Chris Bronny, 1131 Burwick Lane, Folsom, CA 95630

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please join and support Northern California Botanists today. Your membership expiration date is on the address label of this newsletter. Please renew early, however reminders will be sent out prior to your expiration date.

We have filed for state and federal non-profit status. Questions on membership or our non-profit status email: [ncbotanists@gmail.com](mailto:ncbotanists@gmail.com)



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Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

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| _____ Individual \$25.00   | _____ Student \$15.00 |
| _____ Organization \$40.00 | _____ Renewal         |

In addition, I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Northern California Botanists  
to help fund student research scholarships.

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